

# PROCEEDINGS OF

## S. S. CONVENTION.

The local committee on Arrangements of which Mr. Samuel E. Leonard is chairman were much pleased with the attendance at the Wilson Sunday School Convention in session in the First Baptist church. Despite the heavy down pour of rain yesterday the house was filled at the night session. There will be two sessions of the convention on Monday and Tuesday—afternoons at 3:30 o'clock and night at 7:30.

Mr. D. W. Sims, General Superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, and Prof. M. A. Honline, Dayton, Ohio, Associate Educational Superintendent of the International Sunday School Association spoke at the session Sunday. Both Prof. Honline and Mr. Sims will speak at sessions today and tomorrow.

"What you want in civilization put it in the education of the childhood and youth," declared Prof. Honline in his opening address.

Democracy rests on the dual foundation of intelligence and righteousness. We look to the schools to make our boys and girls intelligent; we must look to the church for instruction in righteousness. The church must christianize what the public school is seeking to intellectualize. The forces that make for righteousness must be made to keep pace with the forces which make for intelligence.

"Education," he said, "should provide a fund of practical information, should create right ideals and attitude toward government, towards church, toward property rights, towards family relationships and society in general. Society's greatest need today is right ideals. Education should also motivate life and modify conduct."

Prof. Honline gave statistics showing that in America the Protestant children receive less than 26 hours a year actual religious instruction. The Catholics are giving 216 hours a year and the Jews 335 hours for the same period of time. This same child, he stated, is getting 128 hours in arithmetic. Fact of the matter my friends, he said, we have never taken religious education very seriously. We have, untrained teachers. We need teachers trained in head and heart. Our material is inadequately graded, our equipment is nine tenths of the Sunday inadequate."

Prof. Honline stated the solution to problem of instruction for righteousness was the establishment of a system of religious schools running parallel to the public's school and sharing the time of the child through the weeks. He mentioned three ways by which religious instruction was being corrected and credit given in the public schools, one way being High School credit for Bible Study done outside the public school. Prof. Honline expressed high commendations of the plan presented to the State Teachers Association in session last week by the North Carolina Sunday School Association for giving credit to High School pupils for work done in classes outside the public school.

In his address Sunday night Prof. Honline said in part:

Every individual is joint product of three forces: Heredity, environment and education. Within certain limits, heredity sets a limit beyond which environment and education can never carry the individual. What the seed is to the corn crop, heredity is to the human crop. One cannot gather grapes from thorns nor figs from thistles. An organism can become through development, only, what it was in germ to start with; it may become less, it can never become more. All that education can do for the child is to develop the capacities conferred upon him by his ancestors remote as well as near. After all the important thing is not so much the kind of education we give our children as the kind of children we give to be educated, for education can never transform mediocrity into genius. Education does not increase one's capacity, it only releases it and

makes it usable, for if nature does not put it in the blood the teacher can't get it out. While we do not inherit wooden legs, it is possible to inherit wooden heads.

"Essentials of a Progressive Sunday" was the subject discussed by Mr. Sims. "He confined the subject to one essential—good leadership."

The qualifications of a Sunday School leader he described as first, confidence. We get the confidence of our pupils and other teachers and officers if we live Christ. Second, no bossy, "I am among you as one that serveth." "He governs best who appears not to govern at all." He quoted, "Thou shalt be tactful, not a Solomon. Get suggestions from all sources. Fourth Honor opinions of teachers. Fifth, be enthusiastic. Enthusiasm is hope in action. Salt, said a boy to his teacher, "is what makes Irish potatoes taste bad when you don't put it on." I would say, "Enthusiasm is what makes a Sunday School superintendent, officer or teacher lifeless when he hasn't got it." Sixth qualification was to visit. This, he said, is the bridge that spans the chasm between failure and success."

The program carried out today and planned for the remainder of the conference follows:

**Monday Afternoon, November 28.**  
3:30 Devotional. Rev. M. Betha, Rector Episcopal Church, Wilson.

3:40 The Place of Education in Religion. Prof. M. A. Honline.

4:25 Problem Solving Period. Conducted by Mr. D. W. Sims and Prof. M. A. Honline.

4:50 Period of Business: Attendance Record, Announcements.

5:00 Adjourn.

**Fourth Session**

**Monday Night, November 28.**

7:30 Devotional. Rev. E. L. Flanagan, Pastor First Presbyterian Church, Wilson.

7:40 The Place of the Teacher in Religious Education. Prof. M. A. Honline.

8:15 Period of Business: Attendance Record, Announcements.

8:25 Our Purpose and Our Task. Mr. D. W. Sims.

8:55 Offering for support of the North Carolina Sunday School Association.

9:10 Adjourn.

**Fifth Session.**

**Tuesday Afternoon, November 29.**

3:30 Devotional. Rev. J. H. Miller, Pastor Calvary Methodist Church, Wilson.

3:40 The Subject Matter of Religious Education. Prof. M. A. Honline.

4:25 Problem Solving Period. Conducted by Mr. D. W. Sims and Prof. M. A. Honline.

4:50 Period of Business: Attendance Record, Announcements.

5:00 Adjourn.

**Sixth Session.**

**Tuesday Night, November 29.**

7:30 Devotional. Rev. J. E. Stuart, Pastor Christian Church, Wilson.

7:40 The Program and Session. Mr. D. W. Sims.

8:10 Period of Business: Attendance Record, Announcements.

8:20 The Child as the Object of Religious Education. Prof. M. A. Honline.

9:00 Adjourn.

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**MURDERED IN N. C.**

Gallup, N. M., Nov. 27.—Mystery shrouds the double slaying here last night of J. W. Blackwell, Jr., a mine clerk and his wife, who were shot to death on the front porch of their home, according to the sheriff's office.

The bodies were discovered at 8 o'clock this morning by C. E. Updell, a friend of Blackwell. Each had been shot once through the breast.

The couple, according to authorities, had just returned from a theater and stepped on the porch when they were shot.

Powder burns were found on the dress worn by Mrs. Blackwell.

A local dentist and his wife who passed the Blackwell residence last night told the authorities they saw a woman alone, running down the street after two shots were fired.

Neighbors corroborated the dentist's story of hearing two shots. One man told the police he saw a man with a leather coat running down the street after he had heard the shots.

Blackwell came here with his wife from North Carolina about seven years ago.

**BRIAND GOT WHAT HE WANTED.**

Washington, Nov. 24.—Premier Briand, after having exchanged farewells of the warmest nature with President Harding and Mr. Hughes, leaves Washington to return to

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France. Before leaving, in a sort of council of the three delegates remaining in America, he transferred his powers to M. Viviani, and as head of the Government set forth what should be the French position on the question under discussion. The general impression at Washington is that Briand has played a considerable role at the conference.

The members of all the delegations render homage to his ability, his skill and his loyalty, and realizing the reasons for his departure are unanimous in regretting it. In sum, Briand leaves Washington after having obtained all that he wished: the recognition by all the powers of the special position of France as regards land disarmament, a declaration of moral solidarity which puts the French people beyond the danger of isolation, and finally complete freedom of action permitting France to take care of her own interests in the measure she shall judge necessary. For the rest, the French program is a program of conciliation, of which the directing idea is to co-operate in all matters to the success of the conference and to raise no difficulty which may halt its progress.

## FOX HUNTERS MEET AT FAYETTEVILLE.

Fayetteville, Nov. 27.—W. A. Bristol, Statesville, was yesterday re-elected president of the North Carolina Fox Hunters' association; Judge Henry P. Lane, of Reidsville, was elected vice-president; J. W. McNeill, of Fayetteville, second vice-president, and R. G. Kent, of Lenoir, was re-elected secretary and treasurer.

About 150 people attended the convention. Nine foxes were caught in races held during the meeting, November 22 to 26. The members of the state association were the guests while here at a banquet given by the Cumberland County association at the Lafayetteville hotel. A number of speeches were made and much interest was displayed in the association.

## SOCCER OF LAST WEEK THE BEST YET OF SEASON.

The Soccer games of the past week were the best yet according to the reports that came in to the editor's office. Wilson High kickers put one over on the Elm City team on the local field by a two goals to nothing score; Black Creek reports a win over the strong Rock Ridge eleven, by one goal nothing; and Lucama defeated the Gardner boys three to nothing. Following the Standing of the clubs:

Name	W.	L.	Pct.
Lucama	2	0	1.000
Wilson	3	0	1.000
Black Creek	3	1	.750
Rock Ridge	2	1	.666
Gardner's	1	3	.333
Elm City	0	4	.000

## DECLARES NEGRO KILLED AL PATE.

Fayetteville, Nov. 25.—Marshal Williams, whose counsel on Tuesday of this week submitted to a verdict of murder in the second degree in connection with the killing of Deputy Sheriff Al J. Pate, was given the maximum sentence of thirty years in the State Penitentiary by Judge H. P. Lane this afternoon, and shortly after the sentence was imposed created a genuine sensation when he took the witness stand and swore that Ham Dawson, negro, the principal witness against him, fired the shot that killed Pate in the raid on his still on the night of July 22. Dawson is charged with assault with a deadly weapon and his case was unfinished when the court adjourned.

## CAPT. DE JOANNIS CALLS FRENCH WOMAN A QUITTER.

Paris, Nov. 27.—Capt. Albert R. De Joannis, who accompanied Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen, the French tennis player, to the United States last summer, has tendered his resignation as vice-president of the French Tennis federation and also as a member of the organization.

M. De Joannis resigned in protest against the federation's "order of the day," published in the morning newspapers today, blaming the directors of the "United States Lawn Tennis federation for unjustified commentaries upon the sporting spirit of Mlle. Lenglen."

The resignation of M. De Joannis is the climax of a controversy that has been going on inside the tennis federation since the return to France from the United States of Mlle. Lenglen and her party. M. De Joannis was accused of having urged the French

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player "to engage in tennis matches while physically unfit to do so."

M. De Joannis told the Associated Press today that thus far he had refrained from commenting on the criticism leveled at him owing to his delicate position and in view of the fact that a woman's name was at stake, but that the attacks became so bitter when the United States Lawn Tennis federation was brought into the argument that he had to abandon his reserve.

"Mlle. Lenglen," said M. De Joannis, "was perfectly fit when she met Mrs. Mollie Birstedt Mallory."

"I shook hands with Mlle. Lenglen was satisfied."

before she entered the court. Her hand was cool and her pulse normal. She was confident. She only commenced coughing after having lost the games. I blame her for absolutely refusing to continue when I could have obtained a recess of half an hour, perhaps an hour, through the sporting spirit of the tennis officials and the large crowd.

"Suzanne's attacks against the United States lawn tennis officials and the public are absolutely unwarranted. She was received like a little queen and treated with the utmost courtesy. Her every whim and mood, can public as preferring to quit than to face defeat. France never quits."

"She knows how to win, but she does not know how to lose gracefully. She placed the personality of Suzanne before the good name of the sporting world of her country and could not face defeat."

"The attitude of the United States lawn tennis officials and of the American public in the face of the repeated defaults of Mlle. Lenglen was very lenient and above all blame. Carpentier is a hero in America despite his defeat, because he showed grit and went down fighting, while Mlle. Lenglen placed France before the American public as preferring to quit than to face defeat. France never quits."



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